

Giocomo Puccini

(to a friend)

Paris, 10 May 1898

Voice

sempre molto ritmico e marcato

Guitar

f

sfz

4

sfz

sfz

sfz

7

f

I am sick

sfz

sfz

10

ff

of Par - ris!

ff

13

mf

I am pant - ing for the

mf

16 fra - grant woods, for the free move-

19 - ment of my bel - ly in wide trou - sers

22 - and no waist - coat;

25

28 I pant, I pant af - ter the wind that

31 blows free and fra - grant from the sea;

sfz *f* *ff* *sfz* *sfz* *mf* *mp* *f*

34 *f* *mf* *f* *cresc.*
I sa - vor with wide - flar - ing

37 *ff* *f*
nos - trils its salt - y breath, and

40 *cresc.* *ff*
stretch my lungs to breathe it all!

43 *sfz* *f*

46 *f* *mf* *sfz*
I hate pavements! I hate palaces! I hate

50 *ff*

cap-itals! I hate col-umns of mar - ble!

sfz *f* *sfz*

53

sfz *sfz* *sfz* *sfz*

56

sfz *sfz* *sfz* *sfz*

59 *mf*

I love the beau - ti - ful col - umn of pop - lar and

mf

62 *mp*

fir; I love the

mp

65 *p*

vault of shad - y glades; I

mp *p*

poco a poco crescendo

68

love the green ex-panse of cool shel-ter in for - est old

71

or young; I love the blackbird in

74

flight; I love the

77

wood-peck-er, sea - gul, and lark!

80

I

83

hate the horse, the cat and the toy - dog! I hate the steamer, the

sfz *cresc.*

87

top-hat, the dress coat, and I hate Par - is!

ff *sfz* *sfz*